



Privacy Protection Amid Giant Components

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Previous Work

Goal: Infer the infection status of individual nodes given graph topology.

Setup

- **Model:** Independent Cascade
- **Random Graphs:** $G_{n,p}$, Chung-Lu
- **Average Degree:** z
- **Number of infected nodes:** X_n
- **Sublinear privacy mechanism:** $\mathcal{M}(X_n)$

Takeaways

Nodes in the largest component have the same infection status

$\mathcal{M}(X_n)$ indicates the infection status of the largest component

$P(\text{Node } i \text{ infected})$
 $\geq P(\text{Node } i \text{ in largest infected component})$

Extensions

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Setup

- **Model: Linear Threshold**
 $\phi \sim \text{Unif} \left[0, \frac{1}{m} \right], m \geq 1$
- **Random Graphs:** $G_{n,p}$, Chung-Lu
- **Average Degree:** z
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Preliminary Results

Privacy is hard to preserve when a large cascade occurs

For $G_{n,p}$: Large cascade occurs with positive probability if $m > \frac{z}{z - 1 + (1 - p)^n}$

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